

E-HAPPENINGS

WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

September 2010

NEWS AND EVENTS



WNC Yerington Moves To Dini Cultural Center

Students in Yerington are enjoying a new learning facility this fall. The WNC Yerington Center has relocated to the Jeanne Dini Cultural Center at 120 N. California Street, Yerington. Enrollment is up over last fall at the rural center location.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-08-16a.php>

Student Leaders Seek Education Pledge from Candidates

The Associated Students of Western Nevada College has joined forces with student leaders from throughout the Nevada System of Higher Education in an effort to hold legislative candidates accountable for their promises as the November election approaches.



The initiative, known as the Nevada Education Protection Pledge, asks candidates to state their intentions in regard to education and funding. By signing a pledge card, political candidates confirm that they support higher education and that they will put effort into saving it from budget cuts and tuition increases.

ASWN President Jason McGill says, "Knowing which candidates have pledged to support education will help the students of WNC make educated decisions during the election. It will also call attention to any candidates who falter on their commitment." McGill will meet with fellow NSHE student leaders in this month to devise a plan for sharing information about the initiative with the student population.

New Academic Faculty Members Join College

Five new WNC instructors boasting strong academic credentials and many years of experience are filling key vacancies on the academic faculty. Additionally, several new employees have joined the college family as administrative professionals in essential areas. In college executive leadership, former Dean of Instruction Carol Lange is now serving as Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-08-31a.php>



Tee Up to Help WNC Foundation

Spend a day on the green and help WNC students. The 13th Annual WNC Foundation Golf Classic tees off at Eagle Valley Golf Course in Carson City on Friday, Sept. 17. Check-in is at 8 a.m. and play begins at 9 a.m. in a shotgun scramble. Cost: \$150 per person or \$800 per corporate team. Includes continental breakfast, on-course refreshments, tee prizes, contests, and BBQ. To sign up: 445-3240/Helaine Jesse.

IN THE ARTS

"Always Lost" Makes Its National Debut

WNC's acclaimed "Always Lost" exhibit of photos and writings about the Iraq and Afghanistan wars is making its national debut this month with a showing at the University of Wisconsin, Marinette Wednesday, Sept. 8-Sunday, Oct. 31. Professor Marilee Swirczek, instructor Kevin Burns, and creative writing student Amy Roby will participate in a public forum at the Marinette campus on Saturday, Sept. 18.

UW-Marinette gallery curator, Professor James LaMalfa, has touted the display at the "most important

exhibit I have installed in four decades."

LaMalfa's sentiments about the show are echoed in recent articles that have been printed in Marinette area newspapers.

<http://www.marinette.uwc.edu/news/newsaug10.htm#alwayslost>

<http://www.peshtigotimes.net/index.php?id=14477>

The exhibit will continue to travel and is scheduled to show at the various campuses at the University of Wisconsin through August 2011.



Marilee Swirczek and Kevin Burns hold one of the exhibit's reformatted "Wall of the Dead" panels.

Fallon Campus Hosts Burning Man Exhibit



Enjoy a unique opportunity to experience the costumes, colors and zaniness of the Burning Man Art Festival without traveling to the Black Rock Desert. "A Tribe of Artists: Costumes and Culture at Burning Man" in the Virgil Getto Art Gallery through September 15. The exhibit explores the costumes, flair and eclectic nature of Burning Man.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2010-08-23a.php>

Looking at All Sides

WNC Douglas Art Show

Members of the Carson Valley Art Association showcase their unique perspectives of a single photo at Bently Hall through Thursday, Sept. 30. Works demonstrate artists' interpretations. Open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Free.



COLLEGE CORNER

Lock-Down Drills Planned for Carson City Campus

Lock-down drills are scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 7, on the Carson City campus. The drills are intended to make students, employees and visitors to campus aware of procedures to follow in the event of a campus emergency. Instructions concerning lock-downs are posted in all campus classrooms and are also available at the information desk. Info: Jack Piirainen at 445-4282 or Brian Crowe at 445-3327.
<http://www.wnc.edu/safety/>

Research Opportunity Available for Students

Scholarship applications are being accepted for an undergraduate research project opportunity through the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR). Full-time undergraduate students attending any school within the Nevada System of Higher Education may apply. Submission deadline is Friday, Oct. 1.

Recipients will receive \$3,900 to complete their research project and will work under the mentorship of a supervising faculty member. For information, visit <http://www.nevada.edu/epscor/current-solicitations.html> or contact Chemistry Professor Mike Sady at 445-4400.

New Scholarship Honors 9-1-1 Dispatcher, Helps WNC Students

WNC received recognition at a recent Reno Aces baseball game, and helped spread the word about a special scholarship. The Kandee Ann Kahn Memorial Scholarship was promoted on the "big screen" at the ballpark last week, along with a plea for donations to the new WNC scholarship.

The Kandee Ann Kahn Memorial Scholarship for Public Safety will benefit law enforcement and dispatching students at WNC. Kahn is being remembered as a pioneer for women in law enforcement through a memorial scholarship in her name. At only age 19, she began a career in emergency dispatching, a job that was then predominantly held by men. She was a dispatcher for the city of Reno for 21 years before retiring in 2008. <http://www.wnc.edu/foundation/kkms.php>
http://www.kandeedispatch.com/Kandee_Ann_Kahn_Scholarship/Welcome.html

SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, Nov. 3: Free Lecture by John Register, U.S. Army veteran and Paralympian, Carson City campus

Thursday, Nov. 4: Classified Council Holiday Craft Fair, Carson City campus

Weekends, Nov. 6-21: "White Christmas" Western Nevada Musical Theatre Company musical; Carson City Community Center

Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 11-13: "Cinderella, The Enchanted Version," WNC musical, Churchill County High School Auditorium

Friday, Nov. 19: Tech Prep College Day - 9 a.m.-1 p.m., WNC Carson City